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THE INDIAN MAIL OUTRAGE.

Further details of the daring decoy in India, briefly recorded by Reuters, are to hand from Rangoon. A Lahore message, of December 21, states:—A desperate attempt to loot No. 2 down Calcutta mail from Peshawar took place this morning at 1 a.m. When the train reached Jalga road it was attacked by frontier decoys who were lying in ambush. Guard Wilson was shot dead on the spot and the raiders then attacked the engine, shooting the fireman dead and seriously wounding the driver O'Brien. They then made a serious attempt to loot the train, but fortunately a party of British troops with sowars arrived on the scene and fought the raiders till they retreated. Driver O'Brien died on his way to Campbellpore hospital. Things are quiet at Jalga road, and a strong detachment of British troops is now guarding the place. The Bombay mail to-night is running two and a half hours late. A later message reads: The passengers included four British officers, Major Stirling, Captain, Twiss and Baker and Lieut. Dane, and a number of British and Indian soldiers. Major Stirling and the other officers rapidly organised a counter-attack which drove off the decoys. Shortly after a goods train arrived from Nowshera and its engine was attached to the mail train.

TURKEY'S DREADNOUGHT.

The Mighty Vessel Purchased from Brazil.

The great warship which Turkey has purchased from the Government of Brazil is the Rio de Janeiro, now being built by Messrs Armstrong, at Elswick. There have been many rumours as to the disposal of the vessel, and the following from the "Daily Telegraph" of recent date refers to negotiations which it was announced Italy was undertaking to secure the vessel. "There is reason to believe that the Brazilian Government, which has already spent on the ship £1,100,000, and down to its completion next May would have had to disburse about another three quarters of a million, raising the price to about £2,000,000 had arrived at the conclusion that the naval requirements of the country were not, perhaps, so great as to justify such an expenditure, and offered the vessel for sale to the Admiralty. In that case it was found that the vessel, though very powerful, did not fit in with the British policy of construction. Russia, Japan, Greece, and Turkey were approached in turn but as the first condition of the sale appears to be the immediate refunding of the large sum of money already spent, this proved to those Powers either an inconvenience or an obstacle. The large development of the sea interests in the Mediterranean, in a course of the past year, account probably, for the decision of the Government of Rome.

DETAILS OF THE SHIP.
The Rio de Janeiro is one of the largest, most powerfully armed, and heavily armoured of the L.G. Dreadnoughts, either built or building for the world's navies. The entrance of this ship into the Mediterranean, will completely upset all the calculations of relative strength which have hitherto been current. On the battle-ship more or less in the days of small vessels with mixed armaments could be disregarded, but the accession of strength represented by a unit of the character of the Rio de Janeiro can hardly be ignored, either by Italy's neighbours, Austria-Hungary, or by other Powers with interests in the Mediterranean.
The ship, which was laid down in the Elswick Yard at the end of the summer of 1911, should be complete in all respects for sea by next spring. The vessel displaces 27,000 tons, and is thus larger than any battleship in the world built for the British navy. She mounts a powerful armament of fourteen 12 inch guns, in seven turrets, all on the centre line, besides twenty 6 inch and ten 4 inch quick-firers, and is expected to attain a speed of 22½ in 45. In a single broadside she will discharge 12,000 lb. of metal. The ship is very heavily armoured, and it is reported that her cost complete for sea will be £2,000,000.

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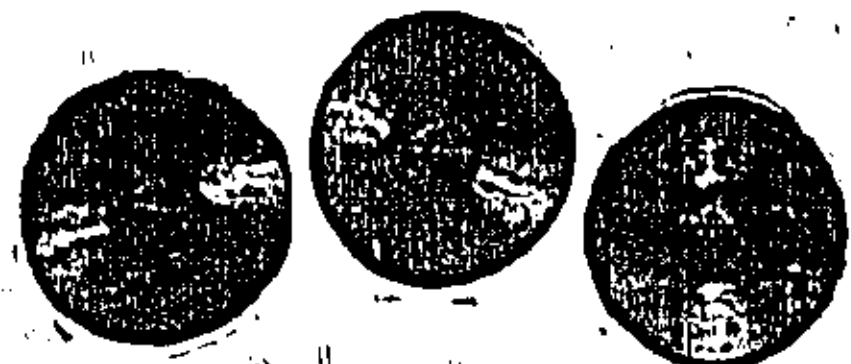
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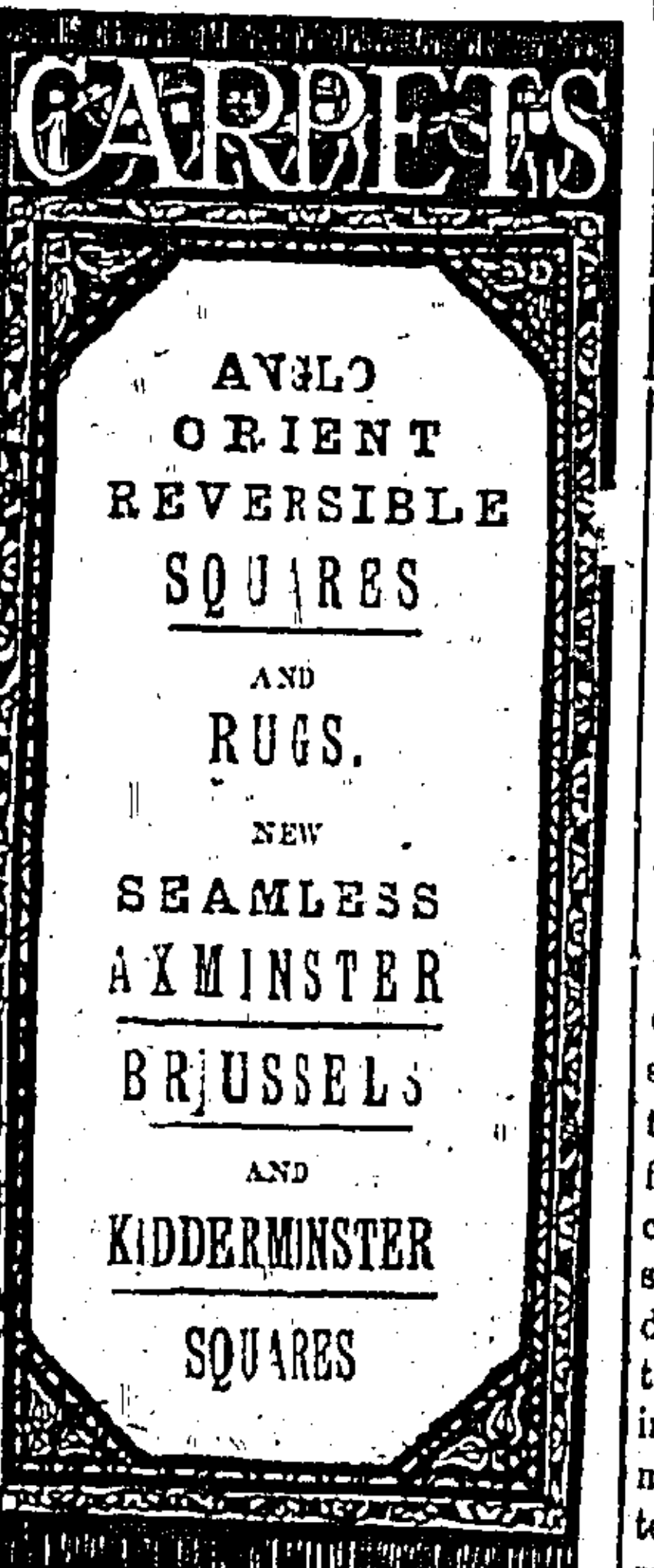
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between sanity and insanity. Once start thinking of it, and you will find that the whole truth of the matter was humorously and finally expressed by Robert Louis Stevenson, when he said that 'Every man has a sane spot somewhere.' And when practical judgments for practical purposes are needed, we shall find ourselves, if free to do so, making our decisions, not upon any grounds of theory, but simply with the hope of doing the least harm and the most good in the circumstances.

"Before me is a volume on 'The Criminal Responsibility of the Insane,' published by Churchill in 1856, for the author, Dr. Caleb Williams, whose grandson I happen to be. Dr. Williams, a leading alienist of his day, and visiting physician to the Retreat at York, had done his best to save the lives of two lunatics who had committed murder. In one case Baron Bramwell dismissed his evidence with a series of contemptuous observations, based largely on the view that the Retreat was a humane institution, and that those connected with it had views of peculiar septimality; and the man was hanged. Any one reading the case and the subsequent comments of knowledge upon it may see that in our own day the murderer would have been sent to an asylum. No kind of opinion, in this country now, less than sixty years after, would call this man anything but a lunatic, though Dr. Williams was looked upon as mad himself for maintaining that view then.

"In a word, we have immensely raised, in certain arbitrary directions, our standard of sanity; and when Sir James Crichton-Browne reminds us of the great increase in the number of certified lunatics in the last half-century, we must remember that, in that period, our notions of what constitutes sanity and insanity have been markedly changed—in some chance respects.

"Now, how much further are we to go in this process? Have we gone far enough, or too far, and how many directions are there? I suggest that until the most competent students of normal psychology, such as Dr. McDougall, and the most competent students of insanity, meet and try to teach each other all they know, from their very different points of view, we shall never reach wise conclusions for practice. Meanwhile no medical school in this country requires any study of normal psychology. But such conclusions are more urgently needed than ever in history. The number of the certainly insane is appalling; the number of those whose conduct is injurious to themselves and others—whatever unexamined terms you choose to apply to it—is enormous, and we eugenicists have abundant evidence behind us when we declare the importance of the hereditary factor here."

The kind of stuff one reads on this topic, Dr. Saleeby says, belongs to the category of the stories we give to children, in which every one is either "good" or "bad." "Good" and "bad," "sane" and "insane," are terms which the author insists can not be applied as a whole to that infinite, sensitive complex thing which we call the "soul of man." We shall learn, he says, that there are as many kinds of soul and conduct, each in part making for enhanced life and in part making for death, as there are faces in the human family. He concludes:

"I have known intimately two men of lowing genius, Francis Galton and Francis Thompson—both idealists, both profoundly wise in apparently irreconcilable senses, both utterly unique, each offering the most extreme and violent contrast to the other in a dozen fundamentals of thought and conduct, each a glory and a treasure to his age and all ages to come. One, compare and contrast these two men, the statistician and the poet, realize that both were sane, if the word ever has any significance of meaning, and you will want what I want—an Encyclopedia of Sanity, with 'clinical lectures' on its varieties, its etiology, its differential diagnosis, symptoms, prognosis, and treatment. For this I will gladly forego the reading of any further compilations on insanity for the next decade."

Mr. E. O. Pearce, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, has been awarded the first class military medal by the Chinese Government.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Latest Home League Football Results to hand will be found on page 6.

The German gunboat Emden left yesterday and the U. S. S. Wilmington sailed this morning.

A basket containing clothes worth \$30, left at the Star Ferry Wharf yesterday by a coolie, was stolen.

The next Organ Recital at St. John's Cathedral will be given on Monday, 10th inst., not on the Tuesday as was originally intended.

The C.P.R. steamer Empress of India after discharging her cargo at Kowloon Wharf has gone into dock for overhaul and alteration.

The band of H.M.S. Minotaur played during dinner at the Park Hotel last evening, over two hundred guests being present. After dinner there was dancing in the lounge.

V.E. Governor and Lady May were "At Home" at Government house yesterday, this being their first reception since their return to the Colony; and a large number of residents called.

Vessels entering Singapore from Hong Kong in the last few days report very heavy weather in the South China sea. The M.M. steamer Polytechnic arrived several hours late at the southern port in consequence.

A Chinese woman was seriously injured yesterday by an iron bar which fell upon her head from a building in course of erection in Pound Lane. Two Chinese workmen have been arrested in connection with the affair.

The booking for the forthcoming Philharmonic Concert will open on Monday next at the Anderson Music Co. The concert is to take place in the Theatre Royal on Saturday, February 7th, at 9.15 p.m. Tickets are \$3, \$2, \$1, and 50 cents.

At the meeting of the North Wales Advertising Board reference was again made to the value of newspaper advertising. The chairman said in the opinion of the committee newspaper advertising was far the best means of reaching the largest number of people and making the work a success.

The directors of the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Company Limited, have declared an interim dividend for the quarter ended September 30 last of 2d. 6d. per share, free of income tax, payable on January 15. The share register will be closed from 7th to 14th inst. inclusive.

Router's Agency has the best authority for stating that there is no foundation whatever for the reports which appear from time to time that Prince Arthur of Connaught will succeed the Duke of Connaught as Governor-General of Canada. Such a matter has never been under discussion.—"Daily Telegraph."

The Royal Dutch Company for the Working of Petroleum Wells in Netherlands India, has issued in London 28,204 shares to bearer of £1.00 each, being the balance of an issue of 40,400 shares offered in Holland to the existing shareholders. The issue, which was promptly taken up, was made in order further to extend business of the company.

Is this an intelligent anticipation of events that a Raconteur paper displays in this passage:—

"Lord Sutherland presiding at the P. and O. Company's meeting referring to the recent strike said they regretted that their officers should have resorted to trade unionist methods."

Anyhow Sir Thomas Sutherland would be pleased to note the unauthorized honour.

Mr. F. J. Muller a consulting engineer, practising in China, is suing the Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd., for £14,500, alleged to be due by the defendants for work done and services rendered by the plaintiff as a civil engineer for the defendants, at their request, during the time of the raising of the U.S. Army Transport "Clematis." The defendants tender £2,500 as adequate remuneration for the plaintiff's services.

The following changes in the British Consular Service in Japan will take place shortly.—Mr. A. M. Chalmers, Consul General at Seoul, will be transferred to Yokohama as Consul-General in succession to Mr. J. O. Hall, who is retiring; Mr. A. H. Lay, acting Consul-General at Kobe, to Seoul as Consul-General; Mr. B. G. E. Worster, Consul at Nagasaki, to Kobe as Consul-General; Mr. J. B. Gordon, Vice-Consul at Hakodate, to Honolulu as Consul; and Mr. G. B. Sams, Assistant Japanese Secretary of the Embassy in Tokyo, to Hakodate as Vice-Consul.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society was held at the City Hall this morning, the Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, K.C. (Attorney-General) presiding over a fairly large attendance which included Mrs. Jordan (President for the year) the Bishop of Victoria (Very Rev. Dr. Leander) Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kemp, Mrs. Bona, Mrs. Pollock, Mrs. D. Landale, Rev. D. B. Reynolds, Rev. Norman C. Pope, Rev. J. K. Macdonald and Mrs. Macdonald, Commander Beckwith, R.N., Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. A. David and Dr. F. Clark.

The following report upon the year's work of the Society was presented by Mrs. Kemp, the hon. secretary for 1913.

The annual report stated: The ladies of the Committee beg to submit the statement of accounts for 1913, which Mr. Evan Ormiston has very kindly audited, and to present the following report of the work of the society during the past year. The society was formed in the year 1889 and the number of cases entered in the books has now reached 1333. There have been 60 applications during the year just concluded, and in the very few cases in which no assistance was given there has always been some special reason for refusing it. In one case the applicant's past career forbade any help being given, and in three cases the applicants were of Portuguese nationality and so were not eligible under the constitution of the society. Some of the applicants received clothing only, when it was not considered advisable or necessary to give money or other assistance, and the Committee wish to thank very warmly the large number of friends who have so kindly sent bundles of clothing from time to time. Those who are not aware to what good use old clothing can be put might kindly bear this in mind. For other applicants work has been obtained in the Colony, and the thanks are due to the heads and managers of firms who have often given another chance to men who could hardly claim help on their own merits. Many have received advice and have been directed to where they could be further helped. Thirteen have received passages to different parts of the world. One of the most interesting features in the work of the society is the maintenance and education of fatherless children. This year eleven have been placed at school, one of whom will be supported by the Government, and two small boys were kept at school here for two months while arrangements were being made for sending them back to their native place. In this case the circumstances were very unusual and but for the society the children would have been in very great need. The committee have been much encouraged by receiving donations in three cases from persons who were helped back to their homes in other countries, one of the three being that of a woman with six children, and in another case a woman who had been receiving regular help wrote to say that her circumstances had improved and that she would no longer require the money. Besides those who have been helped directly by the society many have been dealt with by the chaplain of the Mission to Seamen, the Rev. D. B. Reynolds, who receives a grant of \$15,000 a month from the society for distribution. The Chaplain is always ready and willing to co-operate and the Committee thank him for his very kind assistance. The thanks of the committee are due to the steamship companies for so kindly helping in the arranging of passages, to all the subscribers and donors, and to those who so freely gave to two special subscription lists. They wish to refer particularly to a most generous donation of \$500.00 received from Mr. Ellis Kadourie, to whom they desire to express their thanks for this large addition to their income for the year. The committee also wish to express their sincere thanks to Mr. Montague Ede for most kindly interesting himself in the financial position of the society and for using his valuable influence with the Government on its behalf. Mr. Ede's application was most kindly entertained by His Excellency, the Governor, who has recommended to the Secretary of State the payment to the society of an annual grant, equal in amount to one half of the subscriptions for the year, provided that such grant do not exceed the sum of \$500.00. The committee desire to tender their thanks to His Excellency for this promised grant, and they feel that it ought to be a point of honour with all European residents who can afford it to become subscribers to the Society. The subscription is only \$12.00 a year. During the year 1913 the following ladies have served on the Committee:—Messrs. Alabaster, Becker, Bell, Chalmers, Jordan, Kemp, Kennedy, Landale, Macdonald, Messer, Ede, Ede, Shollins, Stabb, and Voretsch, and Miss Jones.

The Chairman, before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, read the following note, signed by the president on behalf of the committee, upon the proposed hotel for women:—At the last annual meeting of the society an appeal was made by the committee for funds to establish a women's hostel in the Colony. This scheme is still being pressed forward and a sum of \$1730 has already been collected. In connection with this proposal the usefulness of the scheme will be the promotion of an institution which will be a meeting place and a centre of help for the girls and young women of the Colony, who, in many respects lack the advantages which those of their class and age at home possess. The committee are very grateful to all who have already subscribed, and are anxious for further donations, which may be sent to Mrs. J. H. Kemp, honorary treasurer for the fund. A list of donors will be published later.

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DO YOU COUGH.

DON'T overstrain the fine membrane of your throat in trying to dislodge the phlegm. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will accomplish this for you, and cure the cold that is causing it. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

A WILY PRISONER.

ESCAPES FROM HOSPITAL.

A Chinese prisoner who was undergoing a term of ten years imprisonment for armed robbery, escaped from the Government Civil Hospital during the early hours of this morning. The prisoner, who was suffering from dysentery was removed to the hospital for treatment, a luting being placed as guard over him. It would appear that the luting either left his post for a time, or slumbered while on duty, otherwise there could have been no possible chance of his escape. The prisoner, without being observed, made up a dummy of his clothes and other articles, which he placed in the bed, and succeeded in getting out of the hospital without attracting attention. His escape was discovered this morning when the luting on night duty was being relieved, the dummy being revealed when one of the policemen turned down the bed clothes.

The prisoner, whose name is Chang U Ling, was in prison for committing an armed robbery, and had served about half of his sentence.

Mr. Bucknill also read a letter received by the committee from a person who had relieved some time ago expressing grateful thanks for the kindly aid and sympathy given by the society and enclosing \$120 towards the sum received. He felt it a great privilege, he said, to take the chair. He has some little hesitation, however, when he was first approached, as he was told that it was customary for the person who presided to make some original observations on the work and objects of the society. He confessed that he was very largely ignorant, though a subscriber, of the details of the society's work or the persons who actually carried it out, but he was assured by his ignorance was shared by many people, and after a little reflection and discussion that appeared to be so and his scruples were largely overcome. It was not difficult to see why this ignorance was shared by so many. First of all there were many persons of both sexes who naturally shrink from being brought into contact with distress or misery. Apart from them there were many women of what he called the sheltered class who through a dotal and domestic life were incapable of taking any part in the work of a society such as that, while there were many men who, as business routine, the cares of their office and the narrow circle of their routine life debilitated them from actively carrying out the object to which that society aimed. These two classes made up a very large proportion of the community of this or any other place. It is a sad and shameful circumstance that the great mass of our daily life was, and except for those coming under certain categories the average person knew nothing of the poverty and wretchedness which existed in this prosperous commercial centre, in common with most parts of the world. There were, of course many persons whose duty brought them into contact with misfortune. There was first of all the great army of ministers of religion, who knew only too well of the misery, both mental and physical, in the world, but for lack of funds they were often unable to do more than administer comfort to the mind. Then there were the noble army of doctors and nurses, for whom the greatest admiration, whose duties brought them into close contact with distress and poverty, but they too, could not do more than relieve physical distress. Lastly there were those who, though they had the law, carry out the duties of justice, but were not there again it was not possible for them to be engaged in these duties, as he had been for the last fifteen years, to do much towards the alleviation of suffering and distress. But the little band of devoted workers of the Hongkong Benevolent Society stepped out and it was this need that the work of the society endeavored to fill. The society had received liberal support in the past and there was no doubt that it would continue to be well supported in the future, but there was equally no doubt that with larger funds at its disposal it could do a far greater work. He believed that if the work was more widely known, the support given it would be much greater. The persons who formed the really active members of the society he would not mention by name. They did not seek any such reward as publicity; they had their own reward in doing the good and valuable work of mercy which they were doing, and which could not be carried on by anyone else. He proposed the adoption of the report and accounts.

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CURE THAT COUGH.

WHEN you have a troublesome cough it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are weakened, and it is just as well to get on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

TURF TOPICS.

The largest attendance this season assembled at the Race Course this morning to watch the ponies in their gallop in training for the Baco next month. An early train from the Peak, connecting with a car on the lower level, is now running on "galloping mornings" and should be of great convenience to spectators.

A thick white mist, which alternately partially cleared and then thickened again, made the "clocking" of the quarters impossible till the sun came over the hill to dry up the atmosphere. Consequently a number of the times given below show the time of the full course run only, without the last quarter being registered—the last quarter, past being so many times obscured.

The course was on the slow side on account of a heavy dew overnight; there was no wind and no bamboo hurdles on the rail.

We hear that Mr. W. G. Gegg, who has been unwell off-and-on for some time, came out of hospital yesterday. It is hoped he will soon be well and fit enough again to straddle a pony and ride during the meeting.

The following were the times taken—old ponies.

Sweet William (Sedgwick), 1 mile, 2.21.
Sweet Pea (boy), 1 mile, 2.17.
President (boy), 1 mile, 2.21; last 1/2, 32.4.
Twenty (boy), 1 mile, 2.18.
Fields Boy and Jardine's big grey Derby (boys), 1 mile, 2.21.2.
Flock (boy), 1 mile, 2.20.1; last 1/2, 32.
Trot (boy), 1 mile, 2.26.8.
Royal Rose (boy), 1 mile, 2.22.
Cleric (boy), 1 1/2 last mile, 3.21.
Flock (boy), 1 mile, 2.30; last 1/2, 33.
Soul and Mr. d'Ottengans' black sub. (boys), 1 mile, 2.22; last 1/2, 34.
Violini (boy), 1 1/2 last mile, 3.13.2.
1.55, 2.23.3; last 1/2, 31.3.
Sir Anclon (Knoll), 1 mile, 3.2.2, —, 1.49, 2.24.4; last 1/2, 35.4.
SUNNY PONIES.

Sir Paul Clater's big chestnut (boy), 1 mile, 2.19.2.
Sir Paul Clater's dun (boy), 1 mile, 2.19.2.
Sir Paul Clater's light grey Derby and pie, "Navy Cup" (boys), 1 mile, 35, 1.00, 1.44.2, 2.18.3; last 1/2, 32.1.
Mr. Scores' big grey (wearing swastika sheet) (boy), 1 1/2 last mile, 35, 1.10, 1.47, 2.18.2; last 1/2, 31.2.
Mr. Scores' smaller grey (boy), 1 1/2, 4.33; last mile, 2.25.4; last 1/2, 32.1.
Mr. Stabb's 1 mile, 3.4, 1.00, 1.42.9, 2.14.2; last 1/2, 32.
Jardine's two greys (one with blinkers) (boys), 1 mile, 2.23.

ACQUITTS (P.200) PONIES.

Messrs. Lewis and Hickman's light dun (Hickman), 1 mile, 2.23.2; last 1/2, 32.2.
Sir Paul Clater's dark grey (boy), 1 mile, 2.26; last 1/2, 32.
Sir Paul Clater's grey, 1 mile, and bay, 1 mile (boys), 35, 1.00, 1.44, 2.18.3; last 1/2, 34.3.
Jardine's black and pie (boy), half-mile, 1.03.
Mr. White's ignorance and grey sub. Fishball (boys), 1 mile, 39.2, —, 1.51, 2.25; last 1/2, 34.
Mr. White's Miss (boy), 1 mile last 1/2, 1.45.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFTERS.

Mr. Apar's (H. Seth), 1 mile, 2.89.
Mr. Humphrey's (boy), 1 mile, 2.21.
Mr. Jupp's (boy), 1 mile, 2.23.
Messrs. Lowther and Bird's (boy), 1 mile, 37.2, —, 1.47.0, 2.20.3; last 1/2, 33.
Mr. Almaden's white (boy), 1 mile, 2.26.
Mr. Seth's Brown Boy (boy), 1 mile, 2.20.3; last 1/2, 34.2.
Mr. Richardson's (Hickman), half-mile, 1.08.1.
Mr. Fadoe's br. and bay (boys), 1 mile, 2.24.
Mr. Lundale's dun (boy), 1 mile, 36, 1.11, 1.47; last 1/2, 33.
Jardine's grey (Gresson), sp. white (boy), 1 mile, 2.20.

Mr. Geo. P. Lammert conducted an important sale of property yesterday by order of mortgages. Inland Lot 1315 together with the buildings thereon known as No. 23, Morrison Hill Road was the property offered, the Crown rent being \$124 per annum. There was a fair company present and the lot was knocked down to Mr. Chan Tse Cheuk for \$21,000. Messrs. Ewens and Needham were the solicitors concerned.

There has been recently opened in Nanking a new hospital for foreigners, which was erected by President and Mrs. A. J. Bowen of the University of Nanking. This hospital was given by them in memory of a little child they lost some years ago and also as a token of gratitude to Dr. L. A. Gwynne who had been exceedingly kind to them during the sickness of their little child. The hospital is situated in the western part of the city, practically outside of the Chinese section, nestled in among the hills in a very quiet and beautiful spot. There was for a time some question as to whether there was real need for a foreign hospital in the city of Nanking, but there is no question now, as ever since the opening, there have been patients. The hospital is in a three-story building including a basement, and has rooms for about ten patients.

—Chin. Press.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ANOTHER CALAMITY IN JAPAN.

EARTHQUAKE AND ERUPTIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Reuter's Kagoshima correspondent telegraphs that since Saturday Japan has experienced sixty earthquakes daily, culminating in a terrific eruption in the island of Sakurashima.

One village has been destroyed and it is feared that others have also been wiped out.

The flames and lava reached Kagoshima city and the situation is serious. Enormous damage has been done.

Two Japanese squadrons have gone to the scene at full speed.

A telegram from Tokyo states that by the first eruption at Sakurashima enormous blocks of stone were thrown twenty miles.

The whole island is aflame. 70,000 people have fled from Kagoshima, the telegraph operator alone remaining. He telegraphs that the city is covered with ashes and smoke, and that earthquakes are occurring more horrible than those preceding them.

The total casualties are unknown. A tidal wave has added to the horrors at Kagoshima, where extensive damage has been done together with a large death toll.

THE PRIME MINISTER.

LONDON, Jan. 14.

Mr. Asquith, the Prime Minister, has left Paris en route to the Riviera to join Mrs. Asquith.

SPORTING.

Hongkong Cricket Club.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. against "Cricketing" C.C. in the League on Saturday at Happy Valley, play to commence at 2.15 p.m.—A. C. E. E.borough (Capt.), Dr. G. E. Aubrey, R. N. Anderson, F. K. Brownrigg, C. C. Clarke, A. A. Claxton, P. H. Cobb, R. Kennedy, S. S. Moore, T. E. Pearce, and R. P. Thursfield.

Sculling.

THE WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

There are two challengers of Barry for the world's sculling championship—James Paddon and William Albany. The latter, whose challenge in October last Barry declined, recently stated that, unless it was accepted in three months, he would claim the title, alleging that he was the first to make a deposit. The Sportsman announces that Paddon's challenge to Barry was made in July last, and his £100 deposit has never been withdrawn. It was made with the Sydney Referee, and transferred through Reuter's to the Sportsman.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Mr Kersey on the Chinese Crews' Rumours.

With reference to a published cablegram from Victoria (B.C.), stating that "The Canadian Pacific is substituting Chinese for British crews in their Pacific lines," the Empress of India and the Empress of Japan, on the grounds of economy, a Press representative interviewed Mr. H. Maitland Kersey, manager-in-chief of the Canadian Pacific ocean service, and was informed that this statement was far from being a fact. Mr. Kersey said that it was his desire to build up a strong force of Royal Naval Reserve men on the Pacific coast, in order that the great present difficulty in manning ships on the company's Pacific services with British sailors might be overcome.

The truth was that he found it very difficult to obtain a sufficient number of British sailors for service on the Pacific, although the Canadian Pacific was prepared to pay Royal Naval Reserve men good wages and give them a two years' agreement, in addition to a bonus. All the responsible positions on the ships mentioned (i.e., captain, officers, engineers, stewards, boilermakers, carpenters, joiners, etc.) were held by Britishers, and there was no intention of making any change in this direction.

The company had employed Chinese hands on their Pacific service for twenty years as stokers and stokers, and found them most satisfactory in these capacities, and though it was true that their numbers were being increased in these departments for service improvements, there was not the slightest intention of replacing British with Chinese crews.—Daily Telegraph.

EDINBURGH MUSEUMS.

Sunday Opening Approved.

The opening of the National Museum and Galleries in Edinburgh on Sunday afternoon has become general, the one exception being the Museum of Antiquities. Recently the Society of Antiquaries' Council suggested to the Treasury that that museum should also be opened on Sunday, and the action of the council has given rise to divided opinion among members of the society.

At a special meeting on the subject, held on Dec. 15, Dr. Hay Fleming and Mr. W. T. Oldrieve (His Majesty's Office of Works) spoke against the opening. Lord Guthrie put the case for Sunday opening, and it was approved by 43 votes to 34.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE SOUTH AFRICAN LABOUR TROUBLES.

LONDON, Jan. 13.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that ballots taken among shop assistants, warehousemen, clerks, typewriters and workers of other callings favour a general strike.

The ballots of the miners received up to the present show a similar result. The situation is becoming worse.

At Jagersfontein, as a result of the inquest on the Basuto, whose death led to last Friday's outbreak, a miner named Stockenstrom has been charged with murder.

A Durban telegram states that the bulk of the coal miners repudiate the acceptance on their behalf of the masters' terms.

A Pretoria telegram states that Mr. Cresswell, the leader of the Labour Party in Parliament, denies the statement attributed to him that he regards a general strike as fatal to the true interests of the workers.

General Strike Immin nt.

LATER.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that it has been ascertained that there is sufficient food and supplies in the Johannesburg cold storages to last for two months.

The Committee of Public Safety notifies that steps have been taken to ensure regular provision of the necessities of life to all classes at regulated prices.

Another telegram states that a general strike is now regarded as a foregone conclusion.

Government's Determined Resistance.

It is announced that the Imperial Government has authorised the South African Union to use Imperial troops if necessary.

To-day the strike is spreading rather than diminishing and all preparations are being made to cope with the situation.

THE COURT CARDS.

His Excellency the Governor, Lady May, Miss May with a party from Government House attended the performance given by the Court Cards and their Joker at the Theatre Royal last evening. The audience was somewhat small, but what it lacked in numbers it made up in enthusiasm, demands for encores being so insistent and frequent that the programme was practically doubled. A feature of last evening's entertainment was a series of songs and old English dances, given in the picturesque costume of the early Georgian period. They were rendered with a charm and daintiness quite in keeping with the courtly manners of the time.

The Company occupies the Theatre Royal twice this evening and on Thursday and Friday; the present visit being the last of their final tour of the Far East.

CIRCULAR TICKETS VIA SUEZ AND SIBERIA.

An Important Announcement.

An announcement of considerable importance to residents in the Far East has just been made by four of the leading steamship lines. Particulars will be found on an advertisement on page ten, from which it will be seen that a notice has been jointly issued by the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., the Norddeutscher Lloyd, Messageries Maritimes Cie, and the Austrian Lloyd, in regard to the issue of circular tickets via Suez and Siberia.

It is now possible for passengers to proceed Home via Suez and out via Siberia, or vice versa. These tickets will be available by either of the lines named, and a section of those journey, say, Hongkong to Singapore, may be made by one line, and the next section, say, Singapore to Colombo, by another.

MOTOR SMASH IN NATAL.

Famous Cricketers' Escape.

Durban, Dec. 14. A motor car, driven by a man named Smith, was involved in a collision with a motor car driven by a man named Smith, resulting in the death of Smith.

It appears that their car was approaching the Umbilo level crossing, two miles out, when, in endeavouring to pass a trip, it ran into a bank, smashed an open gate, and turned completely over, imprisoning all the occupants beneath. They were released with little difficulty, and were found to have sustained only a few scratches. Their escape from serious injury was miraculous. The cricketers returned to the town in the afternoon, none the worse for their unpleasant experience.—Reuter's Special Service to Daily Telegraph.

A Chinese member of an import and export firm carrying on business in Connaught Road West, at the Police Court to-day, was fined \$2,000 for being in possession of arms and ammunition, opium and drugs without permits. Mr. R. G. Faithfull defended.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

THE USE OF SEA WATER.

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held at the offices of the Sanitary Department yesterday evening. Mr. D. W. Tatman, the President occupied the chair, and others present were: The Hon. Mr. W. Chatham, C.M.G. (Vice-President), the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewett, C.M.G., Colonel Irwin, Messrs. F. B. L. Bowley, Chan Kai Ming, and Ng Hwa Tsai, Dr. Francis Clark (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. W. Pearce (Assistant Medical Officer), and Mr. W. Bowen-Rowlands (Secretary to the Board).

ADULTERATED WHISKY.

The quarterly report of the Government Analyst (Mr. Frank Browne) in regard to examinations under the Food and Drugs Ordinance was read. It stated that six samples of whisky were taken, of which only one was adulterated. In this case, the deficiency being small, the vendor was warned.

Mr. Bowley inquired—In what was the whisky deficient? Dr. Fitzwilliams answered—Was the whisky vendor warned publicly or privately?

The President—The whisky was deficient in nine parts of 150 of by-products, and that neither makes it deleterious as a drink nor does it constitute any serious fraud on the purchaser. I have not been able to discover how the vendor was warned, but I should imagine that the police Inspector who took the sample warned the man.

MR. BOWLEY'S QUESTIONS.

With reference to the questions of which Mr. Bowley had given notice, and which were published in Saturday's issue of the "China Mail," the President replied that he was directed to state that the matters in these questions do not come within the purview of the Board, and that answers could not be given.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

As Dr. Fitzwilliams was not present, the Hon. Mr. Hewett asked the following questions of which notice had been given by Dr. Fitzwilliams—

- (1)—Has an estimate ever been asked for or submitted for an efficient distillation system for Victoria?
- (2)—Has sea water ever been employed for flushing the drains or for watering the streets in Victoria?
- (3)—Could the water which is now used for street watering be turned to account as drinking water?

The President replied—(1.) The question of distilling water has been raised from time to time, but has always been dismissed as impracticable on account of the great loss involved. To afford the population at present supplied from the City and Hill waterworks five gallons per day, 120 tons of coal per day would be consumed in distilling the water only. Taking coal at \$10 per ton, the cost of fuel alone would amount to \$1,000 per day. To this must be added the cost of labour, interest, and depreciation of plant, buildings, pumps, etc. To enable the water to be distributed, it would have to be pumped into the service reservoirs for which purpose powerful pumping plant would be required. Its distribution would be a very difficult matter. Under the system at present in force, two hours' supply to the rider main districts, and a constant supply elsewhere, the daily consumption amounts to fully 4,000,000 gallons per day. The supply of five gallons per head is equivalent to 1,278,000 gallons per day, or less than one-third of the present supply. It would be impossible to ensure any equitable distribution of so meagre a supply in a city of such configuration as Victoria.

(2.)—There are serious objections to the use of sea-water for watering the roads, as great damage results to the macadamized surface when the atmosphere becomes humid. I think I could not do better than quote from a speech by the Hon. Vice-President a little more than a year ago—

"With regard to the use of sea water, it is distinctly injurious to the roads. Whenever the clammy, moist weather comes along, you will see that the roads which have been watered by sea water have been simply torn up by the wheels of vehicles traversing them. I have frequently seen that myself. It is very desirable that the use of sea water be restricted as far as possible."

(3.)—The objections to the use of the water referred to, are—(a) It is very liable to contamination. (b) Filtration and storage, on which so much stress has been laid by the Government Bacteriologist, are impracticable. (c) It can only be distributed by means of "hand-carriage or carts." (d) The quantity available is small in comparison with the requirements of the city, and it would be difficult to arrange for its supply to any particular area, and to ensure its being restricted to such area.

CROUPE.

EVERY young child is susceptible to Croup. Don't wait until this dreadful disease attacks your little one before you prepare for it. It comes in the night when children's sleep is usually sound, and it is a warning. Get and keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy on hand. It never fails, acts quickly and is absolutely harmless. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE CHUNG SAU NAM CASE.

ANALYSING THE STATEMENT OF CLAIM.

Before their Lordships the Chief Justice (Sir William Ross Davies) and the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Full Court this morning, Sir Francis Piggott continued his address on the motion for the dismissal of the civil action against Chung Sau Nam on the ground that it was frivolous and vexatious, and an abuse of the process of the Court.

Sir Francis Piggott and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. B. Hind (from Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton's office) appear on behalf of Chung Sau Nam, while the plaintiffs, the Governor-General and the Commissioner of Finance for the Province of Kwangtung, are represented by Messrs. E. H. Sharp, K.C., Eldon, Porter and F. C. Jenkins, instructed by Mr. R. F. C. Master (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master).

Referring to the question of affidavits, Sir Francis stated that one had been prepared by Mr. Hind in reply to one filed by Mr. Master, which they had not yet had time to file.

The Puisne Judge: Have the other side seen it?

Mr. Sharp: We have not seen or heard of it, but I am told it works on the depositions.

Sir Francis Piggott: I shall argue on its admissibility, and whether it comes within your Lordships' decision or not. If your Lordships rule it cannot be used, well and good; if it can be used, then we shall be safe.

Mr. Sharp: I suggest that it should be shown to your Lordships before being filed. It is contrary to your Lordships' order it should not go on the file.

The Chief Justice: Supposing it is not admissible we can expunge it.

The Puisne Judge: It might save time for the other side to see it before it is filed.

Sir Francis Piggott: I don't mind, but apparently my friend knows something about it.

Mr. Sharp: I did not know it existed.

Sir Francis Piggott: It does not exist yet.

Proceeding, Sir Francis said that yesterday he pointed out that this statement of claim on the writ could only stand at all if it were elaborated in the following way: that Chung Sau Nam had received this money from the plaintiff Government to send to the rebels at Nanking on behalf of the plaintiff government.

The Puisne Judge said he thought the principle of a case cited was that when a usurping government was done away with, the government which succeeded it stood in its shoes with regard to all property.

Sir Francis Piggott said he intended to deal with that question later. For the present, he was looking at the case by the light of common sense or general principles. Actions, he said, were to enforce rights and duties actual, not imaginary. There must be a duty to the plaintiff which the defendant had broken. Looking at this case unsentimentally, and in the most general way possible, there was no duty owing by the defendant to the plaintiff government to send this money to the rebel troops at Nanking. On general principles that was a complete answer to this case, and in itself justified its dismissal. With regard to the statement of claim, he proposed to analyse it a little more closely by the light of certain authorities. There must be a little doubt on the first reading of it whether it was an action for money had and received, or for conversion. The Court would see that the term "had and received" was applied to the money. In connection with this sort of action, there was to say misapplication of money, there were only two forms of action which could be brought; for money had and received and conversion. It was perfectly clear on the authorities that only one or the other could be brought. They could be brought alternatively, of course, but it was not permissible in one claim to allege both. That was established law. If the plaintiff could not succeed for any reason, then the action should be dismissed as vexatious. An action of this sort, with the statement of claim put in the way it was, must be dismissed because it contained no cause of action. This money had and received would not lie between the principal and the sub-agent.

The Puisne Judge: In this case who is principal, who is agent, and who is sub-agent?

Sir Francis Piggott replied that the principal was the government, Chai Kwing Ming would be the agent, and the defendant the sub-agent. That was how the case was framed, but he did not suppose for a moment that the action was intended to be one for money had and received. He only mentioned it in order to get rid of any suspicion or fixed idea in the minds of their Lordships that it was for money had and received. Such an action would not lie.

"Now," continued Sir Francis, "I come to conversion, and I think there can be no doubt that the idea of this statement of claim is that it really is an action of conversion, because the gist of the action is the alleged misappropriation. There is no doubt that a wrongful interference with or application of goods contrary to specific orders is conversion. Here the alleged duty was to remit the money to Nanking, and as I say it must be on behalf of the plaintiff. Therefore, the action shown of all technicalities is a breach of that." Continuing, Sir Francis quoted authorities to show that damages flowing from the wrong only could be recovered. The wrong must be done to the plaintiff in respect of a duty owed to the plaintiff by the defendant; in other words, the specific orders which had been disobeyed must have been given by the plaintiff to the defendant.

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SERVICE AT HAPPY VALLEY.

Representatives of the American Navy, both British Services, the Government and the civil population of many nationalities assembled at the Protestant cemetery, Happy Valley, last evening to pay a last tribute of respect to the memory of the late Commander J. F. Hubbard, of the United States gunboat Wilmington. The service took place in an open space near the fountain, surrounded by trees, one of the prettiest spots in this beautiful cemetery, the representatives of the American Navy and British Navy and Army forming themselves into a square, in the centre of which was placed the coffin, covered with the Stars and Stripes and many beautiful wreaths. The deceased officers sword, hat and epaulettes were also placed upon it. American Marines, who composed the firing party, formed the head of the square one side being taken by American bluejackets and the other by men of the British Navy, while inside were lines of American Naval officers, British officers of both Services and squads of men from the various corps in the garrison. The fourth side was composed of civil mourners who included many prominent United States residents. The coffin was borne from the cemetery chapel to the pier by six U.S.N. officers while the band of H.M.S. Minotaur played Chopin's beautiful Marche Funebre, and after the Rev. Mr. Hastings, chaplain of H.M.S. Minotaur had read the funeral service, omitting the committal sentences, two verses of "Jesu, Lover of my Soul" were played. The firing party from the Wilmington fired three volleys, a bugle sounded the Last Post and the impressive and touching service was over.

The pall bearers consisted of six of the late captain's fellow officers on the station: Captain T. Babin (U.S.S. Wilmington), Captain Beck (U.S.S. Callao), and Paymaster Eddins, Ensign Bowman, Farnham Barbery, and Surgeon Donaldson of the Wilmington. The officers present included representatives of every British warship in harbour and every corps in the garrison. Among the officials present were the American Consul-General (Mr. G. Anderson), Vice-Admiral Sir T. H. M. Jernam, K.C.B. (Commander-in-Chief of the British Squadron on the China Station), the Hon. Mr. Claud Gervin (Colonial Secretary), representing H.E. the Governor with His Excellency's A.D.C., Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Assistant Colonial Secretary), the American Vice-Consul (Mr. A. E. Carleton), Col. C. W. R. St. John, R.E., and Mr. F. Winckler (Acting Austrian Consul).

The civilian mourners included Dr. W. W. Pearce, Mr. J. C. Hamilton, Mr. James Craig, Mr. T. F. Claxton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Boles and Miss Boles, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Morse, Mr. G. Friedland, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Singer, Mr. W. D. Kraft, Mr. E. P. White, Mr. W. D. Jupp, Mr. Cambridge, Mr. L. R. Needham and Miss Massey.

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